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## SECTION 1 - INTRODUCTION

The *Lick Saturn-Voyager Reference Star Catalogue* (Klemola, Taraji and Ocampo 1979) was prepared for purposes of determining up-to-date, reasonably accurate, equatorial coordinates for reference stars in a band of sky against which cameras of the Voyager spacecraft were aligned for observations in the region of Saturn during the flyby. The requirements were a surface density of about 3 reference stars per observation frame of  $24 \text{ arcmin}^2$  of the cameras -- somewhat greater than the SAO (Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory 1966) and AGK3 (Dieckvoss, et al. 1975) densities -- and a positional accuracy  $\sim 0.5$  arcsec. Visual magnitudes were also required. The completed catalogue contains 4555 stars in the right ascension range  $12^{\text{h}} 40^{\text{m}}$  to  $14^{\text{h}} 12^{\text{m}}$ , declination zones  $+2^\circ$  to  $-9^\circ$ . Mean errors of the positions, as derived from least squares solutions against the Perth 70 Catalogue (Høg and von der Heide 1976), are about  $0''.25$ ; however, individual residuals for some bright and excessively faint stars are as high as  $0''.5$  to  $1''.0$ . Apparent photographic and visual magnitudes were derived from iris photometer measurements,  $m_V$  being approximated from a derived color-index relation using *UBV* stars selected from USNO photoelectric catalogue (Blanco et al. 1968) and extended with Perth 70 stars. The resulting magnitudes appear to have mean errors of at least  $0^{\text{m}}.2$  -  $0^{\text{m}}.3$  for the brighter stars ( $m_V < 10^{\text{m}}$ ) and uncertainties can be as much as  $0^{\text{m}}.5$  for the fainter stars. The magnitudes are considered to be only approximate, especially on the faint end, because of a lack of photoelectric standards there.

This document is intended to describe the machine-readable version of the *Lick Saturn-Voyager Reference Star Catalogue* in sufficient detail for users to avoid the common difficulties, uncertainties and guesswork frequently encountered when processing a computerized catalogue. The original publication (available from A. R. Klemola) should be consulted for additional details regarding the observations and reductions. A copy of this paper should be supplied with any secondary copies of the machine version distributed to other individuals and installations.

### REFERENCE

Klemola, A. R. (Lick Obs.), Taraji, H. and Ocampo, A. (Jet Propulsion Lab.) 1979, *Lick Saturn-Voyager Reference Star Catalogue*, Lick Observatory, University of California, Santa Cruz.

## SECTION 2 - TAPE CONTENTS

A byte-by-byte description of the contents of the machine-readable catalogue is given in Table 1. The suggested format specifications are given primarily for locating decimal points for real numbers and can be modified depending upon usage. Care must be exercised when processing the magnitude and proper-motion data since fields missing data are blank and will be read as zeroes unless initially buffered in or processed with an A (character) format and tested. Unless indicated otherwise, a given field always has a data value in it.

Table 1. Tape Contents. *Lick Saturn-Voyager Reference Star Catalogue*

Byte(s)	Units	Suggested Format	Description
1- 4	---	I4	Lick plate pair identification.
5- 8	---	I4	Plate number.
9-10	hours	I2	Right ascension ( $\alpha$ ), epoch 1978.92, equinox 1950.0.
11-12	min.	I2	$\alpha$
13-18	sec.	F6.3	$\alpha$
19	---	A1	Sign of declination zone.
20-21	°	I2	Declination ( $\delta$ ), epoch 1978.92, equinox 1950.0.
22-23	'	I2	$\delta$
24-28	"	F5.2	$\delta$
29-33	mag	F5.2	Apparent photographic magnitude $m_p$ (blank for 20 stars).
34-38	mag	F5.2	Apparent visual magnitude $m_v$ .
39-46	----	A8 (I8)	AGK3 or SAO identification number (blank if data absent). For AGK3 numbers, byte 39 contains the zone and bytes 42-46 the number. SAO numbers are contained in bytes 41-46.

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Table 1. (continued)

Byte(s)	Units	Suggested Format	Description
47-51	arcsec	F5.1	Centennial proper motion in right ascension, $\mu_{\alpha}$ , taken from AGK3 or SAO (blank for missing data).
52-56	arcsec	F5.1	Centennial proper motion in declination, $\mu_{\delta}$ , taken from AGK3 or SAO (blank for missing data).

### SECTION 3 - TAPE CHARACTERISTICS

The information contained in Table 2 is sufficient for a user to read the machine version of the catalogue. Information easily varied from installation to installation, such as block size (physical record length), blocking factor (number of logical records per physical record), total number of blocks, tape density, number of tracks, and coding (EBCDIC, ASCII, BCD, etc.) is not included. These parameters should always be supplied if secondary copies of the tape are transmitted to other users or installations.

Table 2. Tape Characteristics. *Lick Saturn-Voyager Reference Star Catalogue.*

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NUMBER OF FILES .....	1
LOGICAL RECORD LENGTH .....	56
RECORD FORMAT .....	FB*
TOTAL NUMBER OF LOGICAL RECORDS .....	4555

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\*Fixed block length (last block may be short)

## SECTION - REMARKS, MODIFICATIONS AND REFERENCES

A magnetic tape containing the catalogue, in binary format, was received from Dr. A. R. Klemola in November 1981. The data were converted to character format and written to a direct access device for editing, which consisted of adding signs to all positive declination zones, converting missing data from zeroes to blanks, and changing all AGK3 numbers to the uniform representation  $\pm XX XXXX$  (SAO numbers were not modified). The catalogue was then transferred back to magnetic tape in character format with a logical record length of 56 bytes, after sorting the complete data set by increasing right ascension (the stars were originally in some kind of plate or measurement order).

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## SECTION 5 - SAMPLE LISTING

The sample listing given on the following pages contains logical data records exactly as they are recorded on the tape. . Groups of records from the beginning and end of the catalogue are illustrated. The beginning of each record and bytes within the record are indicated by the column heading index (digits read vertically) across the top of each page.

# LISTING OF RECORDS FROM TAPE FILE

TAPE FILE NAME: SATURN-VOYAGER REF CAT.

RECORDS 1 TO 20  
TAPE FILE 21  
RECORD LENGTH 56 BYTES  
INPUT VOLSER WTS014

C O L U M N  
H E A D I N G  
I N D E X

111111111122222222223333333333444444444455555555556666666666777777777788888888889999999999000000000111111  
123456789012345678901234567890123456789012345678901234567890123456789012345678901234567890123456789012345

RECORD	1	5438711124019.165-	11720.65	11.04
RECORD	2	6218711124019.708-	01535.94	11.28
RECORD	3	5488711124019.844-	1 216.25	11.27
RECORD	4	598711124021.292-	44120.1510.56 9.61	138926-14.5 -1.0
RECORD	5	5468711124022.150-	15839.4510.00 8.84-01	1688-18.4 3.9
RECORD	6	6208711124022.870-	02932.72	10.31
RECORD	7	3118711124025.009-	34628.10 8.41 7.78	138928-22.9-19.0
RECORD	8	5458711124026.283-	14254.6110.10 9.22-01	1689 1.6 -5.5
RECORD	9	3108711124028.213-	34133.0211.2010.68	
RECORD	10	6228711124032.200-	01552.7110.23 9.33-00	1760 -1.2 -0.2
RECORD	11	578711124033.109-	45411.4311.5110.93	
RECORD	12	3128711124033.711-	3 059.6211.8411.37	
RECORD	13	6988711124034.462+	032 6.4711.2010.25	
RECORD	14	6978711124036.307+	01617.67	9.68+00 1598 -2.5 -2.5
RECORD	15	5448711124038.126-	13640.9111.2910.20	
RECORD	16	3188711124038.606-	24125.43 9.94 9.00-02	755 4.8-10.4
RECORD	17	6968711124040.599+	0 732.4512.6411.58	
RECORD	18	5428711124041.845-	12220.4911.4310.70	
RECORD	19	568711124042.197-	44850.3411.0210.13	
RECORD	20	6958711124043.154+	0 4 9.1011.25 9.99+00	1599 -2.8 -2.4

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# LISTING OF RECORDS FROM TAPE FILE

TAPE FILE NAME: SATURN-VOYAGER REF CAT.

RECORDS 4536 TO 4555

TAPE FILE 21

RECORD LENGTH 56 BYTES

INPUT VOLSER WTS014

C O L U M N  
H E A D I N G  
I N D E X

111111111122222222223333333333444444444455555555556666666666777777777788888888889999999999000000000111111  
1234567890123456789012345678901234567890123456789012345678901234567890123456789012345678901234567890123456789012345

RECORD 4536 6758719141156.065+ 21431.9210.7310.29+02 1736 -0.2 -4.1  
RECORD 4537 7508719141158.579+ 22828.5010.37 9.80+02 1737 -4.9 -5.1  
RECORD 4538 37087191412 1.548- 04749.8611.7111.49  
RECORD 4539 67487191412 3.581+ 15149.03 9.70 9.18+01 1620 2.9 -5.9  
RECORD 4540 4987191412 6.005+ 24344.49 9.46 8.95+02 1738 -4.6 -1.5  
RECORD 4541 987191412 6.318+ 2 147.23 9.47 8.66+02 1739 -2.4 -1.7  
RECORD 4542 75187191412 7.140+ 23447.1610.8210.31  
RECORD 4543 7087191412 9.766- 31224.5311.2711.38  
RECORD 4544 2998719141211.666- 13234.1711.9011.40  
RECORD 4545 3018719141216.723- 1 132.3310.7910.52  
RECORD 4546 5298719141216.772+ 02911.6410.01 9.51+00 1729 -5.8 -2.1  
RECORD 4547 698719141220.002- 32336.51 9.46 8.57 139813-15.4 -3.6  
RECORD 4548 1438719141222.854- 22627.7110.8111.10  
RECORD 4549 108719141224.097- 2 414.0510.29 9.66-02 855 -0.5 -3.1  
RECORD 4550 4478719141226.598- 01230.2011.2111.12  
RECORD 4551 508719141226.756+ 2 744.18 9.47 9.03+02 1740 -0.2 -0.6  
RECORD 4552 6028719141228.465+ 12547.4910.8210.51  
RECORD 4553 5328719141230.613+ 05836.1710.8110.51  
RECORD 4554 6018719141231.029+ 11137.9210.30 9.57+01 1621 -8.5 -5.4  
RECORD 4555 3008719141231.802- 11118.05 9.84 9.27-01 1821 -4.4 -2.9

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